





Today's  
Advertisements.THEATRE ROYAL  
CITY HALL.  
FOLLARD'S  
LILLIPUTIAN OPERA COMPANY

Under the distinguished Patronage of  
H.E. Sir WILLIAM ROBINSON, K.C.M.G.,  
and  
H.E. Major-General WILSON, BLACK, C.B.,  
TO-NIGHT (WEDNESDAY) TO-NIGHT  
5th May, 1897.

**LA MASCOTTE.**  
and THURSDAY, To-morrow, May 6th.  
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,  
May, 7th and 8th.  
**LES CLOCHES DE CORNEVILLE.**

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, May 8th,  
**GRAND MATINEE**  
(FOR CHILDREN)  
CHILDREN'S COMIC OPERA  
"CHARITY BEGINS AT HOME"  
Children half price to all parts of the Theatre.  
Doors open 3 P.M. Overstage 4 P.M.  
Plan at W. ROBINSON & Co.'s Piano and  
Music Rooms.

Prices:—\$3, \$2 and \$1.  
SOLDIERS and SAILORS in Uniform Half-price  
to back seats only.  
Late Trains 15 minutes after each performance.  
A. H. POLLARD,  
Advance Representative,  
Hongkong Hotel.  
Hongkong, 5th May, 1897. [749]

ST. ANDREW'S HALL,  
(CITY HALL).  
TO-DAY (WEDNESDAY)!!  
"THE CINEMA TOGRAPH."  
(THE GREATEST MARVEL OF THE AGE)  
Will be exhibited, under the personal supervision  
of Professor MAURICE CHARVET, at the  
following hours:—  
11 A.M. 2.30 P.M. 5.30 P.M.  
9 P.M. and 10.15 P.M.

ADMISSION 50c CHILDREN HALF-PRICE.  
Hongkong, 5th May, 1897. [750]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.  
FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.  
THE Steamship  
"BENMOHR,"  
Captain Le Bontillier, is due here on 3rd May,  
and will be despatched as above on or about the  
5th May.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 30th April, 1897. [751]

FOR SHANGHAI.  
THE Steamship  
"LOONGMOON,"  
Captain F. W. Scholz, will be despatched for  
the above Port on TO-MORROW, the 6th inst.,  
at 4 P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SIEMSEN & Co.,  
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1897. [752]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.  
NOTICE.  
STEAM TO  
YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.  
(Passing through the INLAND SEA).  
THE Company's Steamship  
"HOHENZOLLERN,"  
Captain H. Hecker, will leave for the above Ports  
TO-MORROW, the 6th inst., at noon.  
MELCHERS & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 5th May, 1897. [753]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.  
NOTICE.  
STEAM TO SHANGHAI.  
THE Company's Steamship  
"PRINZ HEINRICH,"  
Captain O. Cuperly, will leave for the above  
place on FRIDAY, the 7th inst., at noon.  
The steamer will start after docking direct  
from the No. 1 dock at Kowloon.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
MELCHERS & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 1st May, 1897. [754]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
LIMITED.  
FOR SWATOW, AMOY, & TAIWANFOO.  
THE Company's Steamship  
"THALES,"  
Captain Douglas, will be despatched for the  
above Ports on FRIDAY, the 7th inst., at Noon.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LAFAIR & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 5th May, 1897. [755]

FOR NEW YORK.  
THE 100 A.T. British-Ship  
"CLAN MACKENZIE,"  
Captain Iddes, shortly expected from Shanghai  
will load here for the above Port, and will have  
quick despatch.  
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,  
Hongkong, 5th May, 1897. [756]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION  
COMPANY.  
(UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN  
GOVERNMENT.)  
STEAM FOR  
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,  
BOMBAY, KURRACHEE, ADEN, SUEZ,  
MASSAWAH, PORT SAID, BRINDISI,  
VENICE, TRIESTE.  
(Taking Cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA,  
MADRAS, PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK  
SEA, LEVANT, AFRICAN PORTS, also to  
SCOTLAND AND PORTS.)  
THE Company's Steamship  
"GISELA,"  
Captain Brelich, will be despatched as above  
on TUESDAY, the 11th inst.  
Cargo will not be received on board after 3  
P.M. prior to date of sailing.  
For further information as to Passage and  
Freight, apply to  
SANDER & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 9th April, 1897. [757]

Today's  
Advertisements.

## NOTICE

OWING to similarity of names the Bank-  
ruptcy of MAHOMED ALI SHI-  
RAZEE, Merchant and Commission Agent, has  
been misunderstood, it relating to the Under-  
signed, who takes this opportunity of publicly  
disavowing any connection with the aforesaid  
Merchant living at WINDHAM STREET.  
H. A. SHIRAZEE,  
Exchange and General Broker.  
Hongkong, 5th May, 1897. [752]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.  
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"PRINZ HEINRICH."  
THE above named steamer having arrived,  
Consignees of cargo are hereby informed  
that their goods, with exception of Opium,  
Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and  
stored at their risk into the Godowns of the  
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown  
Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery  
may be obtained.

Optional cargo will go on to Shanghai unless  
notice to the contrary be given before this  
afternoon at 4 P.M.  
No claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining  
undelivered after 12th instant, will be subject  
to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are  
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined on WEDNESDAY, the 12th instant,  
at 2 P.M.  
All claims must reach us before the 16th  
instant, or they will not be recognized.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
MELCHERS & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 4th May, 1897. [753]

TO ALL LOYAL SUBJECTS  
OF  
HER MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY VIC-  
TORIA-QUEEN EMPRESS

Of whatever Race, Kindred or Tongue Mr.  
H. RUTTIMORE of 11, D'Almeida Street sends  
Greeting and has the honor to announce the  
Publication by Messrs. RAPHAEL TUCK & SONS,  
of a Series of specially designed AUTOGRAPH  
CARDS OF CONGRATULATION arranged to  
be sent from every Household in the Empire to  
Her Most Gracious Majesty on the memorable  
"Anniversary of Her 'Diamond Jubilee.'"  
All the Designs are Folders and appropriate  
in Subject, Sentiment and Wording to this  
eventful Month in the Victorian Era, while the  
Individuality of each Card is retained by the  
Autograph Signature and address which is to be  
written by each Sender.  
Hongkong, 4th May, 1897. [754]

PUBLIC AUCTION.  
THE Undersigned has received instructions  
from H. M. NAVAL STORE KEEPER  
to sell by  
PUBLIC AUCTION  
on  
WEDNESDAY, the 12th May, 1897, at noon,  
at H.M. Naval Yard,  
Sundry Naval and Vicarious Condemned  
Stores, Comprising—  
OLD IRON, PAPER STUFF,  
OLD IRON BOILER TUBES,  
RAGS, CANVAS, ELECTRO,  
PLATE, CLOTHING, IMPLEMENTS, &c.  
TERMS OF SALE AS CUSTOMARY.  
J. M. ARMSTRONG,  
Auctioneer,  
Hongkong 5th May 1897. [755]

Intimations.  
DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK &  
COMPANY,  
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,  
HONGKONG.  
AERATED WATERS.  
SIMPLE AERATED WATER.  
SODA WATER.  
LEMONADE.  
GINGER ALE.  
SARSAPARILLA.  
RASPBERRYVADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are  
made under the constant supervision of a duly  
qualified English Chemist and will bear com-  
parison with the best English Manufactures.  
Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSES and  
other Large Consumers.  
Any complaints should be addressed to the  
Manager.  
Hongkong, 1st March, 1897. [756]

Auction.  
PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions  
to sell by  
PUBLIC AUCTION  
on  
SATURDAY, the 8th May, 1897,  
at his Sales Rooms, Zealand Street, No. 2,  
commencing at 2.30 P.M.,  
A LARGE QUANTITY OF  
VALUABLE AND USEFUL HOUSEHOLD  
FURNITURE  
(Removed from Queen's Garden, Cause Road,  
&c. for convenience).  
Consisting of—  
HANDSOME BLACKWOOD CARVED  
SIDEBOARD, BLACKWOOD DINING  
WAGGONS, SOLID BLACKWOOD DINING  
TABLE, BLACKWOOD ROUND & SQUARE  
TABLES, SIDEBOARDS with and without  
GLASS, OAK DINING ROOM CHAIRS,  
MARBLE TOP WASHING STANDS, TEAK  
CARVED OVERMANTLES, ICE-CHESTS,  
BRASS AND IRON DOUBLE BEDSTEADS,  
SCREENS, RATTAN FURNITURE, WARD-  
ROBES, MIRRORS, HANDSOME ENGRA-  
VINGS, CARPETS, ORNAMENTS, CUR-  
TAINS, LAMPS, STATUETTES, PLATED  
WARE, DINNER and FRUIT SERVICES,  
GLASSWARE, CROCKERY, BATHROOM  
REQUISITES, &c.  
On View on THURSDAY, the 6th instant.  
Catalogues issued prior to Sale.  
TERMS OF SALE—As customary.  
PAUL BREWITT,  
Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1897. [757]

A. S. WATSON & CO.,  
LIMITED.  
CHEMISTS BY APPOINTMENT.  
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.MANUFACTURERS  
OF  
AERATED  
WATERS.

OUR AERATED WATER FACTORY is fitted with  
the best English Machinery, embodying the  
latest improvements in the trade.

The Purest Ingredients only are used, and the  
utmost Care and Cleanliness exercised in the  
Manufacture throughout.

The Water used is proved by repeated  
Analyses to be Absolutely Pure.

For COAST PORTS, Waters are packed and  
placed on board ship at Hongkong prices, and  
the full amount allowed for Packages and  
Emplies when received in good order.

Counterfoil Order Books supplied on applica-  
tion.

Our Registered Telegraphic Address is  
"DISPENSARY, HONGKONG."  
And all signed messages addressed thus will  
receive prompt attention.

The following is a List of Waters always kept  
ready in Stock—  
PURE AERATED WATER,  
SODA WATER,  
LEMONADE,  
POTASH WATER,  
SELTZER WATER,  
LITHIA WATER,  
SARSAPARILLA WATER,  
Tonic WATER,  
GINGER ALE,  
GINGERADE.

No Credit given for Bottles, that look dirty or  
grainy, or that appear to have been used for any  
other purpose than that of containing Aerated  
Waters, as such Bottles are never used again  
by us.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.  
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.  
Hongkong, 13th April, 1897. [758]

## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 1897.

## THE CHAMBER'S MEETING.

It affords us pleasure to be able to join  
with those who are of opinion that the  
annual meeting of the Hongkong General  
Chamber of Commerce held last Wednes-  
day was the most noteworthy gathering  
of the kind held in the Chamber's Rooms  
for many a long year. We congratulate  
the Chamber on the important work it  
accomplished during the past year and  
we also congratulate the members on hav-  
ing as members of the Committee such  
shrewd, zealous, able and energetic  
business men as were able to give such  
an excellent account of their stewardship  
as is contained in the Report submitted at  
the annual meeting. It is a record of  
work undertaken and carried to a success-  
ful issue in a manner that is simply beyond  
praise. It contains evidence that momen-  
tous and complicated questions affecting  
the interests of all who have important  
commercial interests at stake in the Far  
East were dealt with promptly and  
efficiently and that not only have their  
efforts to get the West River thrown open  
to international trade been crowned with  
success but they have, through their  
indefatigable representative in the Legisla-  
tive Council, been able to obtain from  
the Imperial Government a decision on a  
question vitally affecting the welfare of this  
Colony which is practically a guarantee  
that the freedom of the port of Hongkong  
shall never be impaired, the Secretary  
of State having refused to allow the  
local Government to tax our shipping  
trade for the purposes of general  
revenue; and it is, as the Hon. T. H.  
WHITHEAD pointed out in his speech, very  
important that Mr. CHAMBERLAIN's words  
on this subject, as embodied in a recent  
despatch, should not be lost sight of,  
namely, "That moderate dues may properly  
be levied in Hongkong provided the  
proceeds do not in ordinary times exceed  
the total expenditure of the Harbour  
Department, including Lighthouses, Water  
Police, &c." Against the imposition of  
necessary and moderate dues, no one  
would ever have protested. It was against  
the levying of wholly unnecessary, exorbitant,  
and unfair dues that the shipping  
firms agitated, because it was felt that the  
manipulating of the colony's progress and  
prosperity was being interfered with and  
that nothing but irreparable mischief  
could result from such ill-advised action.  
Moreover it was well known that the  
Colony is not on the verge of bankruptcy,  
that it supports a number of highly paid  
and superfluous officials, and that there  
was neither rhyme nor reason in the local  
Government's efforts to make the Gap  
Rock Light Dues a permanent charge on  
the shipping visiting this port.

Next in importance to the question of  
Light Dues—which has been so satisfac-  
tory settled—and the opening of the West  
River is that old "standing dish" that  
never fails us—the sanitation, or rather  
insanitation, of the colony generally. Mr.  
WHITHEAD complains of the inaction of  
the Government in the matter of not confer-  
ring on the emancipated Sanitary Board  
power to "enable it to compel land-  
lords to do what is essential and  
necessary"; he asserts that there are  
a large number of insanitary dwellings  
"quite unfit for human habitation" in the  
Colony, and he fears—and we think there  
is good reason for the apprehension—that  
the lesson of the painful experience of  
1894 has been only imperfectly learned.  
Mr. WHITHEAD is, if we mistake not, a  
member of the Insanitary Dwellings  
Commission appointed some months ago  
and he has, therefore, no doubt had many  
opportunities of ascertaining the facts  
concerning the condition of house property  
in the slums. There is, no doubt, a good  
deal of insanitary property in existence  
here. Many underground dens in Wel-  
lington Street, for instance, have been  
re-occupied although closed in 1895 and  
pronounced by the Sanitary Board as  
unfit for human habitation, and the slums  
generally are in a discreditable condition.  
The most casual observer passing  
through the "lower regions" of  
Hongkong cannot fail to assume that the  
lesson of our bitter experiences in 1894  
has been imperfectly learned and he  
would wonder why a Government  
that can force us to pay an enormous Mil-  
itary Contribution fails to cause the rate-  
payers to keep their property in a proper  
sanitary condition, no matter what the  
cost. It is possible too, that the casual  
observer would be tempted to ask, "Why  
does Government allow such property to  
be in existence; why not do as was done in  
respect of the insanitary dwellings in Tal-  
pingshan—buy up all 'foul' hovels and  
destroy them?" The most suitable answer  
would be to the effect that Government is  
considering the matter. That would be a  
perfectly true answer and it would be as  
true as it is disgraceful. There should in  
this year of grace be no cause for com-  
plaints about insanitary dwellings, and  
we feel sure that if we had a "real live"  
and popularly constituted Sanitary Board,  
invested with proper powers to carry  
out great sanitary reforms, instead of the  
emasculated remnant of such a body, there  
would now be very few dwellings  
in the Colony unfit for human habita-  
tion. It seems almost incredible that after  
the sad experience of the past three years  
such a scandalous state of affairs should  
now be tolerated. We are now on the  
verge of the hot season and it is therefore  
to be earnestly hoped Government will do  
whatever may be advisable promptly and  
thoroughly to render the slums less  
dangerous to the public health than  
they are at present. It is regrettable  
that there should at the present time  
be any cause for complaints such as Mr.  
WHITHEAD made last week. Surely all  
who have important interests here must  
admit that any sanitary reform necessary  
to render the port clean and healthy should  
be effected forthwith regardless of the cost.  
It is well known that the plague bacillus  
thrives only in the most disgusting filth.  
It is obvious therefore that no effort should  
be spared to make Hongkong not only as  
clean as most colonial cities but a good  
deal cleaner. Let us remember 1894, and  
also remember Bombay!

There were matters mentioned by the  
Chairman in his interesting speech which  
cannot be dealt with satisfactorily in a  
brief review of the meeting and we  
therefore hold them over, contenting  
ourselves for the present with the  
assurance that we very heartily concur  
in all that Mr. HENRIK SMITH said,  
especially in regard to the proposed Im-  
perial Postal Mulet and the desirability  
of our Consulate insisting on the native  
authorities in the two Kwangs giving full effect  
to the orders of the Central Government  
as set out in the proclamations bearing  
upon the question of trade under transit  
passes. It is high time the vexatious  
obstruction of native officials was caused  
to cease for ever, and we are glad to think  
that with Sir CLAUDE MACDONALD in  
Peking and an energetic and zealous  
official like Mr. FRANKER as Consul at  
Wuchow-fu there is reason for the hope  
that foreign trade with South China will  
expand considerably in the near future.  
If the Transit Pass regulations are strictly  
adhered to there is a bright future before  
the pioneers of foreign trade with South  
China. If the regulations and proclama-  
tions are ignored with impunity then the  
last state of our trade with the two  
Kwangs will be worse, far worse, than the  
first.

REUTERS MESSAGES.  
THE PROPOSED CONFERENCE.

LONDON, May 3rd.  
The conference on the Greco-Turkish war  
proposed by Lord Salisbury has been abandoned.  
THE DEFEAT OF THE GREEKS.  
The retreat of the Greeks from Pentapagadia  
to Arta was like that from Larissa, the result of  
deplorable leadership and unreasoning panic in  
which morals and discipline vanished. Out of  
11,000 troops engaged, only 1,000 were under  
fire. Throughout the war the losses on both  
sides have been remarkably small.

CRETE AND GREECE.  
The Cretans refuse autonomy and demand  
annexation to Greece.

(From Le Courrier de Salon.)  
THE CRISIS IN EUROPE.  
PARIS, April 27th.

The Powers are exchanging views on the  
subject of mediation between Turkey and Greece,  
with a sincere desire to terminate the war.  
The public in Athens are very excited and  
public opinion is in favor of the Cabinet and  
even against the King.

In accordance with the proposals of Ralli,  
the leader of the Opposition, several changes have  
been made on the military and naval staffs.  
Griviste Osman has been appointed General  
Inspector of the Turkish army.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Sanitary Board meets to-morrow at 4.15  
p.m.

A MANSION in Piccadilly has been let for the  
jubilee week for £5,000 sterling.

A MATINEE by the Lilliputians, Saturday, 3  
p.m. "Charity Begins at Home" is the  
programme.

At the Magistrate's today A. O. Gutierrez was  
fined \$10 for keeping a ferocious dog and he had  
also to pay \$1 as compensation to a Chinese  
boy, whom the dog had bitten.

The prices obtained at last month's Calcutta  
opium sales were Rs. 1,056 for Patna and Rs. 1,066  
for Benares. The respective prices for the pre-  
ceding month were Rs. 1,031 and Rs. 1,023.

RULES are notified in the Ceylon Gazette relative  
to the protection of elephants in the island and  
to prevent their constant molestation by trappers,  
as also to secure the rest and sanctuary neces-  
sary for their reproduction.

In their Weekly Share List issued at 5 p.m.  
to-day Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts  
state:—Much firmer feeling has prevailed in the  
market during the past week, and in consequence  
a general advance in rates has taken place.

If you are in doubt about the pronunciation  
or spelling of a word look it up in Webster's  
Dictionary. It is a standard work and is offered  
for sale at the Hongkong Telegraph office at a  
price that places it within reach of every-  
body. *Vide* advt.

A TOKIO Press despatch of 23rd April states:—  
The outbreak of bubonic plague at Taiwan is  
spreading very rapidly. Twenty-three fresh  
cases were reported on the 22nd and 23rd. This  
has brought the total number of cases up to 108  
since the outbreak was reported.

Mr. HARRY FURNISS, the well-known caricature  
artist, who was for many years connected with  
London Punch, but severed his connection  
with that journal some time ago, has now  
undertaken a lecturing tour in the colonies and  
is expected to arrive in Hongkong on the 8th ult.

THE St. James Budget recently published a  
statement alleging that Miss Marion Terry, the  
well-known actress, was about to marry her  
brother-in-law. Miss Terry brought an action  
for libel against the paper, and on the 6th ultimo  
was awarded £500 damages.

THE General Managers inform us that they  
have received the following telegram from the  
Olivea Freehold Mines:—"The Olivea Mines  
150 tons 138 ounces; mill starts again on the  
10th of May; the developments of the mine fully  
justify the expectations which have been  
formed."

A FURTHER supply of Dr. Yersin's serum was  
expected in Bombay about the middle of April.  
The quantity was expected to be over a  
thousand tubes, and a regular supply of the  
serum for Bombay has been arranged for.  
According to latest accounts, Dr. Yersin was to  
leave Bombay on the arrival of a competent  
substitute.

It was a somewhat severe ethical maxim that  
Mr. J. G. Hamilton propounded the other day  
at the meeting of the South Mysore Planters'  
Association, says the Times of India. Speak-  
ing on coffee stealing he said: "We may, I  
am afraid, take it for granted that no uneducated  
native is honest except from policy, and then  
generally only temporarily."

In a public office not a hundred miles from Cal-  
cutta in which nine hundred clerks are employed,  
no fewer than six hundred and seventy applied  
for casual leave during March. As each appli-  
cation was for a few days, the granting of leave  
to all would have meant the loss of service of  
some fifty clerks on full pay for the whole month.  
From such a state of things one might be led to  
suppose that the plague had reached Calcutta  
and that the people were panic stricken.

SPARKING of the wreck of the Warren Has-  
tings the Times of India says:—"By a remark-  
able coincidence, one of the detachments on the  
Warren Hastings consisted of men from a  
regiment which was largely represented in the  
troops who stood unflinchingly shoulder to  
shoulder on the deck of the Birkenhead when  
that vessel sank. As the men were falling in  
on the Warren Hastings the word was passed  
from lip to lip, 'Remember the Birkenhead.'"  
The recollection of the splendid example set by  
their predecessors stimulated them to face their  
peril calmly, and the fact should not be forgotten.

MESSRS. H. M. SCHULTZ & Co., Shanghai, who  
were the last charterers of the American four-  
masted schooner Alida, have, according to China  
Gazette, received a letter from San Francisco  
intimating the loss of the Alida with all hands.  
The Alida is a well-known vessel in Shanghai,  
having been engaged in carrying lumber from  
Puget Sound to that port for quite a number of  
years. Captain Anderson, who was in charge  
of her, is highly spoken of as being an able and  
experienced skipper. The Alida was a vessel of  
435 tons, and owned by Messrs. Pope and Talbot,  
San Francisco. She left Shanghai on the 2nd  
December last bound for Puget Sound, in ballast,  
and she was to return to Shanghai again with  
lumber.

The Lilliputian Opera Company had another  
large audience at the Theatre Royal last evening,  
Master Goulding again proving a host in  
himself. To-night a change of programme  
takes place, "La Mascotte" being selected for  
representation. The critiques in the Calcutta  
press describe "La Mascotte" as being one of  
the Lilliputian's happiest efforts, and it certainly  
is a work that affords these talented young  
people full scope for their powers.

MR. JOHN STRATFORD DUDDALE, Q.C., Recor-  
der of Birmingham, has been appointed to  
succeed Sir Arthur Charles as one of the  
Justices of the Queen's Bench Division.

W. SEINTZ, the chess player, who was recent-  
ly defeated by Tasker, and who was reported to  
have died at St. Petersburg on the 11th ultimo  
completed 22 simultaneous games at Vienna, of  
which he won seventeen.—Not bad for a  
corpse!

The Band of the West York Regiment will play  
the following programme at the Lawn Tennis  
Championship at 4 p.m. to-morrow:—  
March ..... Disband Jubilee ..... Orl. Huber  
Overture ..... Mazurka ..... Huber  
Three Pieces, Henry VIII. .... German  
Waltz ..... Wiener Kinder ..... Brown  
Song ..... Queen of my Heart (Dorothy) ..... Callier  
Selection ..... The Mikado ..... Sullivan

As we announced was probable a few days ago,  
H.M.S. Tawad has been despatched to survey  
the West River in place of H.M.S. Rattler, as  
the latter vessel had too great a draught. The  
Tawad is in command of Commander the Hon.  
G. A. Harding, of H.M.S. Rattler, and her  
crew is also drawn from the latter vessel. Mr.  
Fraser, British Consul at Canton, is on board  
the surveying vessel, which is to go as far as  
Wuchowfu.

We understand that in addition to the six  
new shops, now nearly completed, which the  
Godown Company are erecting in Robinson  
Road, Kowloon, another block of six is to be  
built adjoining them and extending as far as  
the Kowloon Hotel. This rising suburb appears  
to be going ahead rapidly now, the new houses  
situated to the east of Kowloon Terrace having  
been all let before completion. We shall  
probably soon see the settlement extending  
northwards towards Yau-ma-tei and Chinese  
Kowloon.

At the meeting of the Central Stores, Ltd., at  
Shanghai, on the 29th ultimo, at which Mr. J.  
H. P. Parker presided, there were 70 directors  
and shareholders present, and a stormy discus-  
sion ensued, the shareholders demanding to  
have a clear and detailed statement of accounts.  
Finally, on the motion of Capt. E. W. Tisdall,  
seconded by Mr. Fyffe, the following resolution  
was carried by an overwhelming majority:—  
"That the report and accounts as now presented  
to the shareholders be not adopted and passed,  
until a committee of two or three shareholders  
be appointed with power to take to their  
assistance experts (if necessary) to investigate the  
books, stock, and inventory of the Company."

The meeting was then adjourned, the motion by  
the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Sopher (Director),  
to dismiss Mr. W. W. Clifford from his position  
as Managing Director being put to the meeting,  
but the vote thereon was postponed till the  
Committee's report is received.—China Gazette.

Mr. W. F. Weyson, writing from Hongkong on  
the 23rd April to the N. C. Daily News, states  
that "the articles which appeared in the China  
Gazette last June, professing to give an account  
of my journey through Hunan, and which con-  
tained very gross misstatements, with which my  
name has most unfortunately been associated,  
were written and published without either my  
knowledge or approval by a person quite  
unknown to me." On the 29th ultimo the  
editor of the Daily News published the follow-  
ing in reply to a letter from the editor of the  
China Gazette:—"Mr. Henry O'Shea writes as  
a letter from the China Gazette office in which  
he explains that Mr. Weyson, whose letter  
appeared in our columns yesterday morning, is  
entirely mistaken. The articles in question, he  
says, never mentioned Mr. Weyson, but gave  
an account of the travels of Mr. Cowen, the  
London Times' correspondent, through Hunan.  
Mr. Cowen himself wrote the columns of  
introduction to the articles, which were dictated  
to one of the China Gazette's reporters, and  
moreover, Mr. Cowen read the proofs. We, of  
course, know nothing about the matter ourselves,  
and merely published Mr. Weyson's letter over  
his name at his request, and we had no inten-  
tion whatever of publishing a serious reflection  
upon a contemporary without any just cause."

In the House of Commons on 5th April the  
second reading of the Criminal Law Amend-  
ment Bill was carried. The measure entitles  
prisoners to give evidence in their own behalf,  
and allows a wife or a husband to be called to  
give compulsory evidence against either party in  
a criminal case. The provisions of the bill will  
apply to England and Scotland. Mr. A. K.  
Lloyd, Q.C., M.P. for Abingdon, Sir G. O.  
Morgan, Q.C., M.P. for East Denbigh, and Mr.  
E. Carson, Q.C., M.P. for Dublin University,  
opposed the bill. Sir Edward Clarke, Q.C.,  
M.P. for Plymouth, who supported the measure,  
said that it would be the means of removing the  
last remaining relics of barbarism.

The Admiralty have lost 70 men in given effect  
to the improved system of training the men of  
the Royal Naval Reserve. Their lordships  
have (says the Globe) made arrangements to  
train 500 men at once, and are offering special  
inducements to men to volunteer for this service.  
It is now recognized at Whitehall that if a really  
efficient Reserve is to be maintained the men  
must have a practical acquaintance with service  
in modern warships and be familiarized with the  
use of the latest weapons. Special inducements  
are offered under the new scheme to young men  
of the fishing and yachting community. Pro-  
motion to the first class, with a prospective  
pension at the age of 60, has been rendered  
difficult in their case hitherto, owing to the un-  
certain nature of their employment. Under the  
new conditions, however, any man between the  
ages of 19 and 30 who has been employed for  
the past three years in the fishing or coasting  
trade, or in yachts, can join the second-  
class Reserve and after serving six months in the  
Royal Navy can obtain promotion to the new  
class, with its advantages of increased retainage  
and pension. In addition to the pay and  
allowances, which are to be the same as those  
granted to non-commissioned service men in the  
Royal Navy, a bounty of £5 will be given to  
men of the first-class on completion of training,  
while second-class men who are maintained the men  
will be advanced to the new class of  
"qualified seamen" with drill pay and allowances,  
the same as those which apply to the present  
first-class, and a retaining fee of £6 per annum.  
Second-class men who, before attaining the age  
of 35, volunteer for a further period of six  
months' training (which may be divided into  
two periods of three months each) will become  
eligible for a pension of £12 a year on attaining  
the age of 60. The equipment and selection of  
volunteers will be the responsibility of the  
volunteer Marine. It is expected that 3,000  
men will be trained annually under this system.



PROFESSOR ROBERT KOCH announces in the *German Medical Journal* his discovery of two new preparations for tuberculosis, one of which he is of opinion is calculated to provide complete immunity from tuberculous bacilli. In the case of consumptive patients during the early stages of the disease, and of lupus patients a distinct improvement has been effected by the use of the word "cure" until a longer period of time has passed without any relapse. With the present remedies the distressing concomitant symptoms common with previous preparations have in no case been observed. The injection of the tuberculin is made subcutaneously, beginning with one five-hundredth of a milligramme, the dose being gradually increased at subsequent injections.

AT THE Sallor's Home last night, our well known local comedian Mr. C. T. Robinson gave a very pleasant evening's entertainment to a large number of seamen. "Our only C. T." squatted himself admirably in his coterie songs and stories, some of the best being "It must be liver," "In a good cause," "Dog and Cockroach," and "The Gorgonzola Cheese." Messrs. W. Budge and J. Farr largely helped out the evening's entertainment, the latter as instrumentalist and the former gave time to our only "Hon. Comique" by contributing some very good sentimental numbers, "C. T.'s" rendering of "My Old Dutch" was a gem and he deserves the warmest praise, as also do Messrs. Budge and Farr for their very kindly efforts to make happy and pleasant the lot of "Jack Ashore." "Robby" has lost none of his "snap," as the Americans say, and it is to be hoped that we shall soon hear him in public again.

#### INDIAN FAMINE RELIEF FUND.

A meeting of the committee of the above fund was held in the Council Chamber on Tuesday the 4th May. The Chairman of the Committee (Sir John Carrington, Kt., C.M.G.) presided.

The Hon. Treasurer (Mr. Thomas Jackson) laid upon the table the annexed statement of the subscriptions raised in Hongkong:

1897	Dr.	Cr.
Feb. 17, To amount wired Calcutta, Rs. 50,000	\$30,487.50	
Feb. 22, To amount wired Calcutta, 20,000	12,084.59	
Mar. 17, To amount wired Calcutta, 12,000	7,500.00	
April 22, To amount wired Calcutta, 384	240.00	
April 26, To amount wired Calcutta, 5,577	407.00	
	<b>Rs. 83,037</b>	<b>\$50,719.09</b>

1897	Cr.	\$	cts.
March 31, By amount of subscriptions in Hongkong as per List, 50,078.09			
April 22, By Contribution received from R.M.S. "Empress of India," 240.			
26, By Contribution received from North Borneo per H. B. M. Consul, 407.			
		<b>\$50,719.09</b>	

(Sgd.) T. JACKSON, Hon. Treasurer.

Hongkong, 4th May 1897.

The Chairman moved the following resolution:

"The Committee desires to place on record its grateful sense of the devoted and self-denying efforts of its Hon. Treasurer, T. Jackson, Esq., in the collection of subscriptions for the fund and also its high appreciation of the successful result of those efforts."

The Hon. Wei A Yen seconded, and the resolution was carried.

It was also resolved the Chairman should address letters to the Hon. C. P. Chater and Mr. Modythanking them for the great assistance rendered by them to the Hon. Treasurer in collecting subscriptions. It was further resolved that the Chairman of the Hongkong Committee should address a communication to the Chairman of the Relief Committee at Calcutta enclosing a copy of the minutes of this meeting, and informing him that the subscription list in Hongkong had been closed.

The Hon. Secretary (the Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart) was requested to transmit a copy of the minutes of the meeting to His Excellency the Governor for his information.

On the motion of the Hon. Wei A Yen a vote of thanks to the Chairman was carried.

The meeting then adjourned.

#### THE PLAGUE IN FORMOSA.

(From our own Correspondent.)

TAIPEI, April 29th.

The bubonic plague is causing considerable anxiety to the authorities here. The day before yesterday (28th) there were no new cases and no deaths. The following statistics are obtained from a trustworthy source:

From 23rd March to	Cases.	Deaths.
23rd April	70	53
24th	6	4
25th	11	7
26th	11	5
27th	19	10
28th	19	10
Total	142	95

Government is doing its best to grapple with the disease; houses are searched daily and all persons who show symptoms of plague or are febrile are promptly removed to the observation depots, while all persons suffering from plague are of course taken to the plague hospital.

I hear a few cases are reported from Taiwan, in South Formosa, but it does not seem to be nearly as bad there as it is here.

In due course I will let you know how the preventive measure enforced affect the progress of this disease, which is carrying off Japanese as well as Chinese and Formosans.

#### SIGNOR CATTANEO'S PUPILS' CONCERT.

A concert organised by our popular *maestro* Signor Cattaneo, and his pupils, was given in the Lusitano Club on Monday night, in the presence of H. E. the Governor, Commodore Holland, and a large and representative audience. From time to time the concert was interrupted by the Signor having afforded the public such musical treats and the entertainment under notice suffered in no way by comparison. A feature of the programme was the playing of an orchestra of mandolins, guitars and banjos, and the effect produced by these instruments was very pleasing, the lady and gentleman amateur players all showing considerable skill in manipulation. There were between 30 and 40 voices in the chorus and their work throughout was admirable, both as regards time and effect. The programme opened with three numbers from "Maritana," "It was a knight," "Harmonia Air," "Angelus," Mrs. Stringer sang the solo "It was a knight" with good effect her voice being a fine soprano, but at times there was slight evidence of nervousness on the part of the singer. Mrs. Maxwell was decidedly successful in her solo "Harp in the Air," and had hearty applause. The chorus was heard to full advantage in the "Angelus" and generally the selections were very enjoyable. The orchestra of mandolins, guitars and banjos followed with the barcarole "Toujours dans ma Gondole." This is a piece admirably adapted to the instruments and the applause accorded the performers testified the audience's most cordial appreciation. The well known tenor, Mr. A. C. Neron, sang "Let me like a soldier fall" and his fine voice did full justice to the words which were well appreciated. A mandoline solo by Miss Alva was a pleasant piece of instrumentalism and showed that the young lady has very considerable artistic skill and exquisite taste. In the solo "Ballata" from the opera "Guaraní" Miss E. Carvalho, who has a splendid soprano voice, sang in a manner that gave her hearers the utmost delight and made many regret that the role against enemies prevented them again hearing her. A "Serenade" by the orchestra, played with taste and precision, brought the first part to a close. An arrangement of "Ave Maria" (by Signor Cattaneo) was the opening number in the second part, the bass part being sung by Mr. J. Krali in excellent style, and the chorus again did meritorious work. The trio "Spanish Serenade," for mandolins and guitar by Misses Lysaught, Alves, and L. Lysaught proved an enjoyable performance and the skill of the lady players had ample recognition. Mrs. F. Dodwell, who is the possessor of a very pure and sweet contralto voice, took the audience by storm with her exquisite rendering of "Life's Lullaby," and Signor G. Badini played as a mandolin solo a "fantasia" transcribed from Wagner's "Lohengrin." The well-known duet "Excelsior," by Messrs. A. C. Van Nierop and Charles Grace was sung with capital expression and the voices harmonised splendidly. The last item was a pretty barcarole "Bella Napoli" by the orchestra. The duties of accompanists were most satisfactorily discharged by Messrs. J. Danenberg and Signor A. Cattaneo, and generally the concert was one of the most successful musical functions that has taken place for a long time past. With a few more such gatherings, the evening of the organ for St. Joseph's Church—the object of Monday's concert—should speedily be well accomplished.

#### SHANGHAI SPRING RACE MEETING.

It is regrettable that the weather yesterday at Shanghai was unfavourable but of course it is always one of the factors which contributes not a little to the "glorious uncertainty" of racing. The times taken over the various distances showed that the going was heavy, and no doubt in the early part of the afternoon, before Jupiter Pluvius looked in upon the scene, some owners kept the shrewd off their favourites in hope that the rain might hold off, notwithstanding the threatening appearance of the sky. The smelter no doubt were busy and when the rain came down and the course got slippery again were the owners of the "mad-lancers" who had got their shoes on.

We are very glad to see that the three ponies which ran a dead-heat for the Champion last autumn (the Broke, Blackberry, and Holstern) have again qualified themselves for this great contest, and we can trust them all to give a good account of themselves, though we incline to think that Blackberry is not fond of heavy course, and Orwell being a big, powerful, speedy-in-shoes animal is likely to make the pace very hot indeed.

We congratulate Mr. Freddy on having now added the Derby to his very popular win of "The Mildens" at last meeting.

SECOND DAY, TUESDAY, 4TH MAY.

THE SCURRY STAKES, a sweepstakes of 15s. each; to be divided between the first, second, and third ponies in the proportion of 50, 30, and 20 per cent. with 15s. 100 added to the winner; for *bona fide* griffins at date of entry; winners 7lbs. each.

Three started. Time, 1 min. 35 sec.

Mr. Toog's b. Parnamatta, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. John Peel's s. Rockall, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Ring's s. Hesperus, 1st 1lb. 100.

Eleven started. Time, 1 min. 35 sec.

THIRD DAY, WEDNESDAY, 5TH MAY.

THE GREAT NORTHERN PLATE, value, 150; second pony, 150; for ponies that have run at this meeting; weight for inches as per scale; winner of one race at this meeting, 100; extra 100; two races, 200; extra 200; three races, 300; extra 300.

Mr. Ring's s. Eolus, 1st 4lb. 100.

Mr. Robinson's b. Black Chief, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. C. Burkill 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Oswald's b. Revelston, 1st 4lb. 100.

Thirteen started. Time, 1 min. 35 sec.

THE MASONIC CLUB CHALLENGER CUP, value, 150; presented by the members of the Masonic Club for China ponies, being *bona fide* griffins at date of entry; to be won at two consecutive races or three times in all by ponies the *bona fide* property of the same owner or owners; entrance, 15s. 100; 70 per cent. to the first pony, 30 per cent. to the second pony, and 10 per cent. to the third pony until the cup is finally won, when the second pony will receive 75 per cent. and the third pony 25 per cent. of the entrance loss; weight for inches as per scale. One mile and a quarter.

Messrs. Common & Robinson's g. Rainbow, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Tin Wo's b. Dogon-Weir, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Dallas 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Denney's c. Bushy Park, 1st 1lb. 100.

Seven started. Time, 2 min. 44 sec.

THE SHANTUNG STAKES, a forced entry of 15s. 50; for subscription griffins entered at this meeting; first pony to receive 70 per cent., second pony 30 per cent., third pony 10 per cent.; weight for inches as per scale; unplaced ponies allowed 5lbs. One mile.

Mr. John Peel's c. Mendip, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Crawford 1st 1lb. 100.

Messrs. Toog & Sylva's c. Orinoco, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Ring's g. Dividend, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Denney's g. Dividend, 1st 1lb. 100.

Eleven started. Time, 2 min. 44 sec.

THE PARI-MUTUEL CUP, value, 150; added to a sweepstakes of 15s. each; second pony to receive 30 per cent. and the third pony 10 per cent. of the stakes; for China ponies as per scale; griffins at date of entry allowed 7lbs.; a penalty of 7lbs. for non-starters and winners at this meeting. One mile and a half.

Mr. Kanuck's g. Men-J, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Barkill 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. John Peel's c. Pineapple, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Sturge's g. Vaquero, 1st 1lb. 100.

Seven started. Time, 3 min. 10 sec.

THE YANKEE STAKES, value, 150; second pony 150; for China ponies that have run at this meeting; weight for inches as per scale; non-winners at this meeting allowed 10lbs.; entrance, 15s. 50. Two miles.

Mr. Raxley's b. Black Eagle M. Willeumet, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. R. C. Reany's b. Black Slipper, 1st 1lb. 100.

Messrs. Common & Robinson's g. The Star, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Burkill 1st 1lb. 100.

Ten started. Time, 4 min. 25 sec.

THE MANCHU STAKES, value, 150; second pony 150; for China ponies that have run at this meeting; weight for inches as per scale; non-winners at this meeting allowed 10lbs.; entrance, 15s. 50. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. Tin Wo's b. Dogon-Weir, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Dallas 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Gule's bay Tyro, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Ring's c. Equinox, 1st 1lb. 100.

Twenty-one started. Time, 2 min. 41 sec.

THE CONSOLATION CUP, value, 150; second pony 150; third pony 150; for ponies that have run at this meeting and not won a race; weight for inches as per scale; entrance, 15s. 50. Once round.

Messrs. Mustard Ambrose's g. Compromise, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Sturge's g. Vaquero, 1st 1lb. 100.

Messrs. Kanuck Oswald's c. Robulet, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Crawford 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Toog's Eros, 1st 1lb. 100.

Fourteen started. Time, 2 min. 41 sec.

THE CHAMPION SWEEPSTAKES, value, 150; second pony, 150; third pony, 150; a forced entry of 15s. 50 and open only to winners at this meeting; optional for the winners of the Consolation Cup and subscription griffins race; weight for inches as per scale; each pony entered to pay five per cent. of the value of the stakes and prize won. One mile and a quarter.

Mr. Henry Morris's b. Blackberry, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Ring's s. Eolus, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Duplex's bay The Broker, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Reany 1st 1lb. 100.

Sixteen started. Time, 2 min. 30 sec.

THE GRAND NATIONAL STEEPCHASE, value, 150; 150; with 150 for second pony, 150; for ponies that are four or more starters; for China ponies; weight for inches as per scale; non-winners of a Steeplechase allowed 10lbs.; entrance, 15s. 50. Twice round a course selected by the Stewards.

Mr. Fernando's p. Lowlander, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Crosshew 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Fernando's g. Aquellonier 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Davies 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Weed's c. Wm. The Conqueror, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Burkill 1st 1lb. 100.

Five started. Time, 2 min. 41 sec.

THE NIL DESPERANDUM CUP, value, 150; second pony, 150; for subscription griffins of this meeting; weight for inches as per scale; entrance, 15s. 50. Once round.

Mr. Gule's s. Bessy, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. John West's c. Reform, 1st 1lb. 100.

Mr. Henry Morris's w. Dewberry, 1st 1lb. 100.

Fifteen started. Time, 2 min. 41 sec.

#### ALLEGED ARSON.

FOUR OF THE ACCUSED DISCHARGED.

The five men who were charged with arson were brought before Mr. Woodhouse at the magistracy yesterday afternoon. Mr. H. L. Denys (Crown Solicitor) prosecuted. Mr. Gedge represented the South British Fire Insurance Co., and Mr. V. H. Diacoe appeared for the defendants. On the application of Mr. Denys the four men were discharged.

Wong Lin Kan, the assistant accountant, was then charged. That he telephonically, unlawfully and maliciously set fire to a certain dwelling house, being house numbered 90, situate at Jervois Street in Victoria in the colony of Hongkong. One Kung Pak Lin and one Chao Pak Lin and one Kung Ying Lin were, to wit at the time of the committing of the felony aforesaid, being in the said dwelling house against the form of the Statute in such case made and provided and against the peace of our Lady the Queen, her Crown, and Dynasty on the 21st of April.

U King was called and stated that he knew the defendant and also his brother, Wong Chi Seng, who left the Fung Shing shop for Canton on the 15th or 16th ult. The defendant was in charge of the shop at the time of the fire.

Witness marked option and talked with the defendant in the accountant's room on the night of the 20th ultimo. When witness left the room to sleep in the passage at about 11 p.m. that night the defendant had already slept. He awoke at 5.30 a.m. and found that the ceiling of the ground floor was on fire. He ran out and saw the defendant and the other members of the shop shouting "Fire!" "Fire!" None of them had any books or papers in their hands.

Altogether there were four lamps in the shop burning that night. One in the front part of the shop, one was standing on the outer counter, one was in the middle of the front part of the shop, and the other in the inner counter. Witness did not see any kerosene tin in the accountant's room.

Ng Sing Yee said that she was kept by the defendant. She knew nothing of the fire in the Fung Shing shop till he told her.

Mr. H. Crombie deposed that he was in charge of the South British Fire Insurance Company of New Zealand, for which Messrs. S. J. David & Co. were the agents. In October, 1895, a policy (No. 877) was issued in the name of Fung Sing for \$4,000 on the goods of No. 90, Queen's Road Central. Another policy was issued on March 30th, 1896, for \$3,000 by the same name on goods in the second floor of the same house. On the 13th May, 1896, they were transferred to the ground and second floors of the Fung Shing building next No. 90, Jervois Street. On the morning of the 21st ultimo, the ground and second floors of the house were insured for \$7,000.

Witness went to the house on the afternoon of the fire and estimated the value of the goods at between four and five hundred dollars.

The Court was then adjourned till 2.15 p.m. to-day.

This afternoon's proceedings were taken up with the evidence of Chin Wal Yee, Yee Cheung and Yee Tsang and also Joseph Duquenois, their statements throw nothing fresh on the origin of the outbreak.

#### OLIVERS FREEHOLD MINES, LIMITED.

The following report has been received by the General Managers:

Mount MacDonald, 9th April 1897.

REPORT ON KUREKA MINE.

Since last report the work has been pushing ahead as quickly as possible and with most encouraging results. At the 200 feet level the north drive has been extended a total distance of 42 feet and the reef is 5 feet wide and shows gold in the solid stone. The south drive is now in 31 feet and the reef has widened to 4 feet, and of good quality. At the 150 feet level the north drive is 107 feet with the reef 2 feet wide and in the south drive it is from 21 feet to 3 feet in width and shows a nice lot of void. A tie to connect with the old workings has been started and it is now up to 100 feet. (This is in the south drive, as per plan sent you). In the north drive a wire to connect with the bottom level is now being sunk; it is now 16 feet on the reef 5 feet wide and good gold showing all the time. As soon as the wire is finished we will be in a position to break through the massive quantities of stone. The Government Inspector of Mines was here this week and after thoroughly inspecting the Kureka expressed the opinion that we had one of the best reefs and one of the best shows in New South Wales. An opinion like this from a man in the Government service, who is practically acquainted with every mine and reef in N. S. W., is most invaluable. There is no doubt whatever but that there is a brilliant future before the Kureka and the only regret by everybody here is that Mr. Wilmett, senior, is not alive to see the result of his "new shaft."

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(Sd) C. J. WILLMOTT.

#### LATE TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, April 17th.

Germany has protested against the French violation of the Niger Hinterland. It is under stood that England has also protested against the French occupation of Boma.

Italy has decided to send two battalions of Infantry and a battery of artillery to Crete.

LONDON, April 18th.

The Times states that according to the revised code of regulations for admission to the Indian Staff Corps, officers will be allowed to provide their own horses and under 25 years of age. Before they can be transferred permanently to the Staff Corps they will not be allowed to revert to a British Regiment except by exchange. Any officer of the British Army showing exceptional fitness for service in India may, with the assent of the Secretary of State for War, be specially selected for the Staff Corps.

LONDON, April 20th.

The Turks say they lost two hundred men at the Malaca Pass, and that the Greeks lost at least one thousand. The fighting was continuous for two days. The Turks maintained a solid and steady bearing, whilst the Greeks were enthusiastic.

LONDON, April 21st.

The death is announced of Colonel Hugh Pearce Pearson.

The Russian circular to the Powers insists that any intervention between Greece and Turkey must be collective. It is stated that Great Britain has objected to some points in the circular.

The Emperor William has arrived at Vienna and met with a most cordial reception.

CAPE TOWN, April 21st.

Mr. Cecil Rhodes arrived here and has been received most enthusiastically. In his speech made on landing he said he hoped in time to be constitutionally secure, equal rights for all whites south of the Zambesi without distinction as to race and that that union of South Africa would gradually follow.

BOMBAY, April 20th.

The plague returns for Sunday and Monday show 73 cases and 29 deaths.

BOMBAY, April 21st.

The plague returns for yesterday show 42 cases and 30 deaths. The influx of people is daily increasing.

The plague returns to-day show 30 cases and 28 deaths, the mortality from all causes being 104.

It is stated that the Russians have a small force camped north of the Alai range ready to enter the Pamir region when the passes are open. The object is said to be to complete the plague cordon in the Upper Oxus valley.

News has reached Calcutta of a destructive tornado, which passed over a portion of the Magurah division of the Jessore district, doing immense damage, killing fourteen people outright and injuring many.

The result of the Warren Hastings finding is that Captain Holland has been reprimanded, while the other two officers were acquitted.

In the course of an investigation in Bangalore city relating to a robbery stolen from the Madras Lancers station the police have seized from a Hindu no fewer than five Marathi cashiers and rifles and besides have had information that several hundreds of the same class of weapon may still be found in parts of the Pettah. The matter has been referred to the British Resident. Most of the weapons appeared to be carelessly condemned with an apparent object, and were duly refitted, but are in a servicable condition.

#### TOURING IN THE CAROLINES.

(Specially written for the Hongkong Telegraph.)

Continuing the report of his recent tour in the Carolines, Mr. F. W. Christian writes concerning a visit to the American Mission at Mont, his exploration of the ruins of Lole and his return to Ponape Island as follows:

On Wednesday, May 12th, 1896, being our first glimpse of fine weather, the Tokora determined to accompany me on part of the way down to follow up to the end of the island.

Up later on a couple of hours later, to pick me up later on at the Gilbert Islands' settlement, from which point he would return overland, on account of some private ground of offence. So, soon after our midday meal, we strolled leisurely around the inland angle of Lole, and make our way across the shallows to the mainland by the primitive expedient of wading. We pass close by Lole-Sale's Island, one mass of sweet potato beds, and saw a most interesting view of the coast towards Mont, ordering a large canoe to follow us.

Early this morning the good old man bearing that *Kaka*, the ever-intrusive brown rat, have started operations, has paddled over to his canoe, and is now busy amongst



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FOR VLADIVOSTOCK,  
VIA SHANGHAI, CHEFOO, CHEMULPO,  
NAGASAKI, FUSAN AND GENSAN.  
THE Company's Steamship

"SAGAMI MARU."  
Captain N. Ono, will be despatched as above on  
FRIDAY, the 7th May, at 4 P.M.  
This Steamer is fitted with excellent Accom-  
modation for First and Second Class Passengers.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.**  
Hongkong, 27th April, 1897. [689]



**NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.**  
JAPAN-BOMBAY LINE.  
MONTHLY SERVICE.  
(Under Mail Contract).  
FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO AND  
BOMBAY.  
THE Company's Steamship

"MIKE MARU."  
Captain P. H. Gouge, will be despatched for the  
above Ports on TUESDAY, the 11th instant, at  
Noon.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.**  
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1897. [736]

**INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION**  
COMPANY, LIMITED.  
FOR TIENTSIN (DIRECT).  
THE Company's Steamship

"TAKSANG."  
Captain Rolph, will be despatched as above on  
MONDAY, the 17th instant, at 4 P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,**  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 1st May, 1897. [723]

**CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,**  
LIMITED.  
FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND  
PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.  
THE Company's Steamship

"CHINGTU."  
Captain Innes, will be despatched on TUES-  
DAY, the 18th May, at 3 P.M.  
The attention of Passengers is directed to the  
Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer.  
The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the  
Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the  
Supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire  
voyage.  
A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the  
Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.  
Return Tickets issued by this Company to  
and from AUSTRALIA are available for return by  
the Steamers of the EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN  
S. S. Co. and vice versa.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
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Hongkong, 23rd April, 1897. [667]

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**A. S. WATSON & Co.,**  
Hongkong, 1st September, 1896. [138]

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## Shipping.

## STEAMERS.

**CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,**  
LIMITED.  
FOR TIENTSIN (DIRECT).  
THE Company's Steamship

"KWEIYANG."  
Captain Osterlids, will be despatched as above  
on TO-MORROW, the 6th instant, at 4 P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1897. [710]

**CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,**  
LIMITED.  
FOR SAMARANG AND SOERABAYA.  
THE Company's Steamship

"SHANTUNG."  
Captain Hampton, will be despatched as above  
on SATURDAY, the 8th instant, at 10 A.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1897. [709]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND  
CALCUTTA.  
THE Steamship

"ARRATOON APCAR."  
Captain K. H. Sandberg, will be despatched for  
the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 8th instant,  
at 3 P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1897. [734]

**CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,**  
LIMITED.  
FOR TIENTSIN.

"NANCHANG."  
Captain Finlayson, will be despatched as above  
on TUESDAY, the 11th instant.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1897. [739]

## Shipping.

## STEAMERS.

**MONTHLY SERVICE.**  
FOR VLADIVOSTOCK.  
THE Steamship

"DAPHNE."  
Captain J. S. Moulton, will be despatched for the  
above Port on FRIDAY, the 10th instant, at  
Daylight.  
Superior Accommodation for First and Second  
Class Passengers.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**SIEMSEN & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1897. [740]

THE OREGON RAILWAY AND  
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S  
PACIFIC STEAMSHIP  
LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1897.  
(Subject to Alteration.)  
Monmouthshire. Saturday, 11th May.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED  
STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.

THE Steamship  
"MONMOUTHSHIRE"  
will be despatched hence for VICTORIA,  
(B.C.) and PORTLAND, OREGON, via KOBE  
and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 11th  
May.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States  
Points should be in QUADRUPLET; and one  
Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to  
the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT,  
Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland,  
Oregon.  
For further information as to Passage and  
Freight, apply to  
**SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 27th April, 1897. [693]

## Intimation.

## SETTING UP OF DISTILLERIES

Rice - Corn - Sugar-cane, etc.  
PRODUCTION OF EXTRA-NEUTRAL ALCOHOLS

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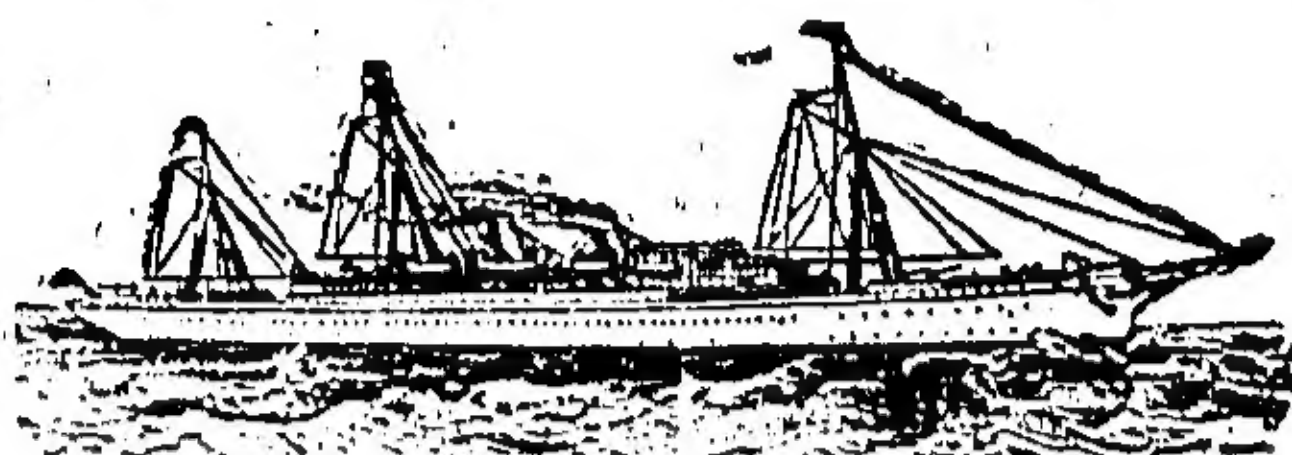
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Apply to Messrs. DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Hong Kong.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. H. Fybus, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 19th May.  
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 9th June.  
EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 30th June.

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF  
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tickets to various points at reduced rates. Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

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MEXICO,  
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EUROPE;  
VIA  
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AND  
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING  
STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND  
HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
Coptic (via Shanghai,  
Nagasaki, Kobe, In-  
land Sea, Yokohama  
and Honolulu) ..... Tuesday, 11th May,  
at Noon.

Gaika (via Shanghai,  
Nagasaki, Kobe, In-  
land Sea, Yokohama  
and Honolulu) ..... Saturday, 29th May,  
at Noon.

Doric (via Shanghai,  
Nagasaki, Kobe, In-  
land Sea and Yokohama) ..... Thursday, 17th June,  
at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship  
"COPTIC"  
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via  
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND  
SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on  
TUESDAY, the 11th May, 1897, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the IN-  
LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu,  
and passengers are allowed to break their  
journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England,  
France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines  
of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the  
United States or Canada. Rates, and particu-  
lars of the various Routes may be obtained  
upon application.

Special rates (First-class only) are granted to  
Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,  
Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European  
Officials in the service of China and Japan, and to  
Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking  
at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice  
versa) within one year, will be allowed a dis-  
count of 10 per cent. This allowance does not  
apply to through fares for China and Japan  
to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to  
address in full; and same will be received at  
the Company's Office until Five P.M. the day  
previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-  
tined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the  
United States, should be sent to the Company's  
Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs,  
San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or  
Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company,  
No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd April, 1897.

## SAILING VESSEL.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.  
THE 100 Tons British Ship  
"FALLS OF DEE,"  
Lock, Master, shortly expected, will load here  
for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.  
The Freight, apply to  
**SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 4th February, 1897. [144]

## Mails.

## NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILWAY COMPANIES.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.  
The attention of Passengers is directed to  
the very cheap rates offered by this Line  
to the PACIFIC COAST and the INTERIOR and  
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of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The  
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class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA \$225.  
Rates of Passage to other Ports on application.  
Special rates allowed to members of Govern-  
ment Service.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Pathan	2,709	Tuesday	May 5
Tacoma	2,549	Tuesday	May 25
Victoria	3,167	Tuesday	June 15
Olympia	2,668	Tuesday	July 6
Pathan	2,709	Tuesday	July 27
Tacoma	2,549	Tuesday	Aug. 17

THE Steamship  
"PATHAN,"  
Captain J. S. Day, sailing at Noon, TO-  
DAY, the 5th May, will proceed to VICTORIA  
(B.C.) and TACOMA (Wash.), via KOBE and  
YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan,  
Pacific Coast Ports, and to Canadian and  
United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States  
Ports should be in quadruplicate; and one  
copy must be sent forward by the steamer to  
the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific  
Railway, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address  
marked in full) by 5 P.M. on the day previous to  
sailing.

For further information as to Passage or  
Freight, apply to  
**DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,**  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, 30th April, 1897. [14]



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL  
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR  
STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA,  
ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN  
PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA,  
PERMAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and  
AMERICAN PORTS).

THE Steamship  
"MIRZAPUR,"  
Captain J. F. Jephson, carrying Her Majesty's  
Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY,  
on TO-MORROW, the 6th May, at Noon,  
taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.  
Silks and Valuables, all Cargo for France,  
and Tea for London (under arrangement) will  
be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer  
proceeding direct to Marseilles and London;  
other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed  
via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4  
P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and  
Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note  
the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills  
of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to  
**H. A. RITCHIE,**  
Superintendent.  
Hongkong, 22nd April, 1897. [15]

## NOTICE.

STEAM FOR  
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ,  
PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,  
ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG,  
PORTS IN THE LEVANT,  
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LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON,  
BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,  
GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN  
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THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT  
SOUTHAMPTON  
TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH  
BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL  
PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Prins Heinrich	Tuesday	15th May
Prins Heinrich	Tuesday	22nd June
Sachsen	Tuesday	20th July
Prins Heinrich	Tuesday	17th Aug.
Prins Heinrich	Tuesday	14th Sept.
Prins Heinrich	Tuesday	12th Oct.
Sachsen	Tuesday	9th Nov.
Prins Heinrich	Tuesday	7th Dec.
Prins Heinrich	Tuesday	4th Jan.

ON TUESDAY, the 25th day of May,  
1897, at 9 A.M. the Company's Steamship  
"PRINZ HEINRICH," Captain O. Coppers,  
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and  
CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling  
at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on  
SATURDAY, the 22nd May. Cargo and Specie  
will be received on board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY  
the 24th May, and Parcels will be received at  
the Agency's Office until Noon on MONDAY, the  
24th May. Contents of Packages are required.  
No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than  
\$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed 70 Feet  
Cube in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation  
and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.  
Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to  
**MELCHERS & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 27th April, 1897. [686]

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